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TO:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

OPTIONAL BARREIS WITHOUT BOLT ACTION CENTER FIRE VARMINT RIFLES

As the result of a recommendation from Research and Development, Sales surveyed its field force concerning the possibility of dropping both front and rear sights from . all center fire bolt action rifles and supplying them with plain barrels only.

The results of this survey have been tabulated and clearly indicate that present sights should be retained. However, a significant number of our field men have stated they feel plain barrels without sights should be optional on bolt action rifles in varmint calibers.

We would, therefore, appreciate an expression from Production and to what problems, if any, might be encountered if Sales should recommend optional plain barrels on the following:

222 Rem.

222 Rem. Magnum

243 Win.

M/725 -222 Ren.

243 Win.

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